IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

THURSDAY, THE SEVENTH DAY OF JULY
TWO THOUSAND AND FIVE

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE V.V.S.RAO

WRIT PETITION NO : 15241 of 2000

Between:

Sappidi Yousuf Reddy, S/o. Late Yousuf Reddy
H.No. 2-40, Almasguda, P.O. Badange Pate ,
Via Mangal Pally, Hayathnagar Taluq, R.R.District. Hyderabad.

..... PETITIONER

AND

1 The Commissioner of Police and District Magistrate,
Hyderabad.
2 The Circle Inspector, Sultan Bazar Police Station
Hyderabad.

.....RESPONDENTS

Petition under Article 226 of the constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the Affidavit filed herein the High Court may be pleased to issue a Writ, order or direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus declaring the inaction of the Respondents in permitting the Petitioner to sell the Cal.32 Revolver ADB-1708 of SMITH AND WESSON make with cartridges to any Arms License Holder or to an Licensed Arms Dealer and releasing the weapon to such purchaser as illegal, arbitrary and violative of Art. 19(1) (g) and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently direct the Respondents to permit the Petitioner to sell the Cal.32 Revolver ADE-1708 of SMITH AND WESSON make with catridges to any Arms License Holder or to an Licences Arms Dealer and release the weapon.

Counsel for the Petitioner: MR.P.VEERA REDDY

Counsel for the Respondent Nos.1 and 2: GP FOR HOME

The Court made the following :

THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE V.V.S.RAO

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ORDER:

The petitioner owns a fire arm (revolver) of 0.32, bearing No.ADB 1708 of Simit and Wesson make. The licence was obtained on 8.10.1984. The revolver was directed to be deposited in Police Station, Sultan Bazar on 18.11.1985. Accordingly, the petitioner deposited the revolver with the Police. Whatever be the reason, the licence was not renewed. Therefore, he approached the first respondent seeking permission to sell the revolver, in vain. Therefore, he seeks a direction to respondents to permit the petitioner to sell the revolver.

It is the case of the petitioner that though the petitioner approached first respondent, so far no orders are passed. Therefore, instead of keeping the Writ Petition pending, the Writ Petition is disposed of directing first respondent to consider the request of the petitioner and pass appropriate orders. It is also open to the petitioner to approach the first respondent with proper application afresh.

The Writ Petition is accordingly disposed of.

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(V.V.S.RAO, J)

7.7.2005

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To

1 The Commissioner of Police and District Magistrate,
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2 The Circle Inspector, Sultan Bazar Police Station
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